

March 2011, after receiving testimony from Keith Hall, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D276)

H.R. 1079, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend the airport improvement program. Signed on March 31, 2011. (Public Law 112-7)

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of April 4 through April 9, 2011 Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 4:30 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Jimmie V. Reyna, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, and after a period of debate, vote on confirmation of the nomination, at approximately 5:30 p.m.

On *Tuesday*, at 11 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 4, Comprehensive 1099 Taxpayer Protection and Repayment of Exchange Subsidy Overpayments Act, and after a period of debate, vote on or in relation to an amendment offered by Senator Menendez, to be followed by a vote on passage of the bill.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: April 6, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense Health Program, 10 a.m., SD-192.

April 7, Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine an overview of the Federal Housing Administration and the future of housing finance, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

April 7, Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Department of Education, 10 a.m., SD-124.

April 7, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Federal Bureau of Investigation; to be followed by an open session in SD-192 at approximately 11:15 a.m., 10 a.m., SH-219.

April 7, Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012

for the Department of Defense and the Department of Navy, 2 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: April 5, to hold hearings to examine U.S. Northern Command and U.S. Southern Command in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

April 5, Subcommittee on Airland, to hold hearings to examine Army modernization in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

April 6, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine strategic systems in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

April 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine U.S. Transportation Command and U.S. Africa Command in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: April 6, Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine the role of the accounting profession in preventing another financial crisis, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

April 6, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection, to hold hearings to examine the state of community banking, focusing on opportunities and challenges, 3 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: April 5, business meeting to consider the nomination of Heather A. Higginbottom, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, Time to be announced, S-219, Capitol.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: April 5, Subcommittee on Competitiveness, Innovation, and Export Promotion, to hold hearings to examine tourism in America, focusing on removing barriers and promoting growth, 10 a.m., SR-253.

April 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine closing the digital divide, focusing on connecting native nations and communities to the 21st century, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: April 7, to hold hearings to examine Department of Energy biofuel programs and biofuel infrastructure issues, including S. 187, to provide for the expansion of the biofuels market, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: April 6, to hold hearings to examine state and local perspectives on transportation, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: April 7, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of David S. Cohen, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes, and Jenni Rane LeCompte, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.